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Removal of the Sri Vinayaka Devam Vigraha at Hebbur to the Sri Gangadhareswara Swamy temple at Tarikere.

PREVIOUS REFERENCES. LATER REFERENCES.

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From The Deputy Commissioner of Tumkur.

To The Secretary to the Govt of Mysore Muzarai Department

Dated 1st April 1907.

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General No. 826

No.

Enclosure No. / file v. P.

Forwarding the records with report connected with the petition of M.V. Ramachandra Rao, a Dharmadarsi of the Sri Gangadhareswara Swami Temple at Tumkur, praying that the Sri Venkatachalapati Vigraha which was in the late Sebbur Taluk Cutcherry building may with its endowment be transferred to the said Sri Gangadhareswara Swami temple.

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Deputy Commissioner's Office,
Tumkur District,
Tumkur 1st April 1907.

From

A Doraswami Iyer Esq.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Tumkur District.

To

A Anantasami Rao Esq., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Mysuru Department.

Sir,

I am forwarding herewith the file of vernacular records connected with the petition of Mr. Ramachandra Rao a Dharmadarsi of the Sri Gangadhareswaraswami Temple at Tumkur praying that the Sri Vinayakadevaru Vigraha which was in the late Hebbur Taluk Cutcherry building may, with its endowment be transferred to the said Sri Gangadhareswaraswami Temple I have the honor to state that, when Hebbur was a Taluk Head-quarter of that name, there

there was a Trinayakaswamy Vigraha kept in a niche in the Taluk office building to which Puja was being offered. This deity was endowed with the marginally noted Inam Land. On the abolition of that Taluk about 30 years ago the office building was sold away to private parties, since when the Vigraha is in one Ramanna's house. This Ramanna and his brother Narasimhamoorti who are now enjoying the said Inam Land claim to be the sons of one Venkatesaiah, who it is alleged was the Archakar Pujari of the deity in question. This Venkatesaiah dying bequeathed his daughters sons viz., Ramanna and Narasimhamoorti came by the Devadaya Inam by right of succession as Dauhitars (దౌహిత్రులు).

Taluk	Village	S. No.	Extent	Assessment	Govt.	Land cess
Tumkur	Hebbur.	42	5-36	Rs 7--	"	Rs 7--

Ramanna states that he has been offering

Puja to the said Vigraha kept in his house and that he has neither a Title-deed to support his claim nor any Government Authority to keep the Vigraha in question in his own house.

The temple of Sri Gangadharesvara Swami at Tumkur is an ancient and important institution situate in the District Head-Quarter town of Tumkur, but it has a Government Cash Subsidy of only Rs 1-3-6 per annum with no other kind of endowments or Inducment Funds. This emolument is too small to support the archak of the temple. It would no doubt be desirable to transfer the idol to Tumkur but whether it would be advisable to take it away from those who have had it for some 30 years is a question for Consideration.

I have the honor &c
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
M. Srinivasaiah
Dy Deputy Commissioner

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To

The Dy Commr
Lunkun District

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 826 dated 1st April 1907 regarding the removal of the Sri Vinayaka Devasthanam Vigraha at Hulkuru to the Sri Ganapathiswami Temple at Lunkun -

2. As the Vigraha in question, which was formerly in the Lulk cultivary

to have been removed
to our Ramanuja's house
in the same village, on
the abolition of the Taluk office
about 30 years ago,
and as the said Ramanuja
and his brother Narasimha
murti, who are alleged
to be the descendants of
the brahman Pujari, are
said to be in the enjoyment
of the Inam land endowed
to the deity and worshipping
are used
it in their house, it is
not desirable to remove
the Vigraha to Tumkur.
Mrs Ramachandra Rao
Dharmadarsee of the
Sri Gangadharaswamy
- Swami temple at Tumkur

DM in Deputy Commrs

may be imposed accordingly

2. Coming to the question of the Virgin having been removed to the house of Romanus, I am to observe that there is no authority for him to keep it there. It must be kept in a public place giving free access to the people to present to the Institution. From the Amildar's report no 1553 dated 14th June 1906 it appears that Romanus has given a statement before the Amildar agreeing to have a small temple constructed

at his own cost for

consecrating the vigorha

therein. I am to request

you to kindly select

a suitable site for

the purpose and see

that the temple is constructed there and the vigorha

thereafter consecrated

3 The action taken

should be reported

to Govt for their

information

4 The enclosures

are herewith returned

I have &c

Deputy Secretary

27/4/07

Sd

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